## CONFERENCE ON TAXATION.

THE VITAL INTERESTS OF DUB CITIZENS

BEPRESENTATIVE MEN BEFORE HOUSE COMMITTEE

Voices of Washington, Georgetown and County

Evnopsis of What Was Said in Conference

Views of the Members of the Committee

Last Saturday the House Committee on the District of Columbia held a conference with representatives of the tax payers of the District in regard to a new law for the assessment and col-lection of taxes. Among those present were Meinrs. George W. Riggs, M. W. Galt, J. W. Thompson, John T. Given, Wm. H. Clagett, R. T. Merrick, W. G. Metzerott, Crosby S. Noyes, Vm. Ballantyne, J. H. Semmes, J. Van Riswick. S. Bacon, H. Polkinhorn, G. Lansburgh, S. D. Castleman, James L. Barbour, G. C. Urandell, George W. Cochrane, M. F. Morris, Jos. Savage, George E. Kirk, J. B. Clagett and A. H. Young. Un behalf of the committee, Mr. John T. Given presented the draft of a bill for the support of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1577, and for other purposes. The main features of the bill are these:

A levy of sl. 40 on each \$100 of the sheezed value of all real property, and that until otherwise provised the assessment made for the year ending June 30, 1576, shall remain.

That the amount collected shall be distributed upon a fair apportionment made by the Commissioners of the District.

That one half the taxes shall-become due and payable November 1, 1576, and the other half May 1, 1577; accompanied by provisions for paying the taxes in installments; for delinquents and for prompt collections, and within four years from the time taxes fall due. government of the District of Columbia for the

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Section free provides for the publication, in pamphiet form, of the property in arrears after July 1, 1877. And section six makes it incumbent upon the collector, after a sale has been made, to issue to the purchaser a certificate of sale, and if not redeemed within two years a deed therefor shall be given by the Commissioners off the District, or their successors in office, to the legal holder of such certificate, which deed shall be admitted and held to be a good and perfect tills in fee simple to any property bought at any sale herein authorized. Provided, That no property advertised as aforessit shall be sold upon any bods not sufficient to meet the amount of tax, penalty and costs. But in case the highest bid upon any property is not sufficient to meet the taxes, penalty and costs thereon, said property shall be bid off or the amount thereof by the said Commissioners or their luxessors in office, in the name of and for the District of Columbia as purchasers; that previded also. That minor or other persons under legal disability shall be allowed one year after the removal of such disability to redeem any of their property as sold from the purchaser or purchasers, his, her or their heirs or assigns, or from the District of Columbia by payment of the amount of purchase modey paid therefor, to gether with ten per centum per annum interest thereon as aforesaid, and all taxes and assessing or contains and the successor in contains and assessing the consequence of the property as sold from the purchaser or purchasers, his, her or their heirs or assigns, or from the District of Columbia by payment of the amount of purchase modey paid therefor, to gether with ten per centum per annum interest thereon as aforesaid, and all taxes and assessing the consequence. amount of purchase money paid therefor, to-gether with ten per centum per annum interest thereon as aforesaid, and all tares and assess-ments that have been paid thereon by the pur-chaser or his assigns, or which may have accrued to the District of Columbia, between the day of sale and the period of first redemption, with 10 per centum per annum interest on the amount of such taxes and assessments, and also the value of the improvements which may have been made or erected on such property by the purchaser while the same was in his, her, their or its pos-session. Section seven provides for a full report of such

Section seven provides for a full report of such sales to the comproller, and section eight for the appointment by the Commissioners of five competent persons as assessers, who shall inform themselves by all proper and lawful means, at all times, of all taxable property in the District of Columbia which may have estaped valuation at previous assessments. And for this purpose all hubbings in property of control of the purpose at previous assessments. And for this purpose all buildings in process of erection, enlargement or improvement, the work whereon will per contract or in good management should be completed on ce before the 1st day of July then next ensuing, shall be assessed or reassessed as though such work was already completed. It shall be their duty to assess and value and make return on or before the 1st day of June of each find every year all and every species of projects by this act made taxable and Suc osfore assessed and valued; to reduce the Assessment and valuation of any made taxable and this before assessed and valued; to reduce the assessed and valued to reduce the assessed and valued which may property before assessed and valued which may have been lessened in value by means of fire or other casualty; to increase the assessment and valuation of any property which may have been enhanced in value by reason of any addition thereto or improvement thereof; and to make such corrections and alterations in previous assessments and valuations as may, according to their judgment and best information, be just and proper, having in view the actual cash value of the property. Said assessors shall between the let and 20th day of June, 1876, hold daily sessions for the purpose of equalizing the assessments theretofore made by them.

Section nine exempts from taxation, ist. Property belonging to the United States or to the District of Columbia. 2d. Churches. 3d. Houses of

trip to columbia. 2d. Churches, 3d. Houses of reformation of offenders; alms houses; buildings devoted to public charity or arts; houses to im-prove the condition of seamen and sudders; free public library buildings and cemeteries, 4th. Lands or grounds appartenant to any said church. Lands or grounds appartenant to any said church, nonse or building, so far as reasonably needed and actually used for the convenient enjoyment of any said church, house or building for its legitimate purpose; but when all or any portion of any such building, house or grounds, or cemetry, or church so in terms excepted, is used to secure a rent or income, or for any business purpose, such portion of the same shall be prepartionately assessed and taxed, and a portion so taxable shall be indicated in the returns and assessments made by the assessors as herein provided.

Apothecaries shall pay annually \$4 on each Med.

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Commission merchants, \$40 annually.

Auctioneers shall pay \$100 annually, and a semi-annualtay on gross receipts of one fourth of one per centum, except sales unade by order or metree of any 2017; and \$40 pa pass of charges on the sales of real estate at public auction shall be 5 per centum on the first \$200, \$200, 2 per centum on the first \$200, \$200, 2 per centum on the first \$200, \$200, 2 per centum on the first \$200 and 1 per centum on all amounts in excess of that sum.

Merchandise brokers, \$200 annually.

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Hill-posters shall pay \$20 annually.

Froprietors of bar rooms, &c., \$100; proprietors of ber gardens, \$5 per day; proprietors of billiard, buggatelle and Jenny Lind tables and shuffle board, \$10 per year for each table.

The proprietors howling alleys shall pay annually for each alley \$10.

Brewers shall pay \$20 annually.

Brokers shall pay \$20 annually.

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Carts, wagons and drays shall pay annually as follows: Wagons, \$50 carts, \$2.50; drays, \$2.50; hand-carts, \$2.

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Distillers shall pay \$50.

Dealers in merchandise of any kind whatever, not otherwise provided for, shall pay annually \$4 of each \$1,000 or fractional part thereof of capital invested in business.

Dealers in distilled and fermented liquors,
where and cordials shall pay annually \$19 for each
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Froduce dealers shall pay annually \$25.

The proprietors of hacks, cabs, omnibuses and street cars, and other vehicles for transporting passengers for hire, shall pay annually as follows: Hacks and carriages, \$10; one-horse cabs, \$6: omnibuses, \$10; street cars drawn by one horse, \$6; street cars drawn by two horses, \$10; or other vehicles capable of carrying ten passengers or more at one time, \$10. hicles capatite of coarying two parameters at one time, \$10.

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ver twenty. Proprietors of intelligence offices who charge for Proprietors of intelligence offices who charge for services shall pay annually \$10.

Fire insurance companies shall pay annually \$0 cents on each \$1,000 of capital invested.

Life insurance companies shall pay annually \$0 cents on each \$1,000 of capital invested.

Insurance agents shall pay annually \$15, and in addition, semi-annually, a tax of one per centum on the gross receipts of such agency, whether such receipts are in each or netes for the part payment of premiums.

The proprietors of junk shops shall pay \$30 annually.

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The proprietors of livery stables shall pay as follows: Not exceeding ten stalls, \$25, and \$2 for each additional stall more than ten.

Frojetietors of grounds used for horse-racing or tournaments shall be required to pay a weekly tax of \$25, or \$5 per day when so need.

Photographers shall pay annually \$20, Peddlers shall pay annually annually, and in addition pay semi annually a tax of one per cent. on their commissions.

Rectifiers shall pay \$25 annually.

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The proprietors of variety theatres shall pay \$260 annuality.

The proprietors of variety theatres shall pay \$400 annually. Contractors shall pay a tax of \$25 annually. Esok agents shall pay \$10 annually. That all manufacturers of fliuminating gas shall pay an annual tax of five cents on every \$100 of its capital stock. Claim agents shall pay \$25 annually. Patent agents shall pay \$25 annually. Ice dealers shall pay annually \$1 on each \$1,000 of capital invested.

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Lawyers, physicians and dentists shall pay annually \$20. Provided, Such lawyer, physician, or dentist dees not pay annually to some society or association organized for the benefit or advancement of his profession within this District a sum equal to said sum of \$25 per annum.

Architects, draftsmen and civil engineers shall pay annually a tax of \$25.

Private carriages for one horse shall pay annually \$2 and for two an annual tax of \$10.

Costumers shall pay annually \$25.

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Owners of gold watches in use shall pay a yearly tax on each such of \$1.

Owners of male dogs shall pay a yearly tax on each such of \$2.50, and of female dogs a like tax on each of \$5.

Methods the shall proper such excess of value, pays yearly tax of 1½ per centum.

That any person engaged or engaging in any trade, occupation or profession whereon an annual or other tax is hereby imposed shall, before continuing or commencing in business, apply to the collector for a permit, stating under oath or affirmation all the requisite facts in relation thereto, and shall pay the amount of money required by law in such case.

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tion to the tax imposed, pay a fine or penalty of not less than five nor more than fifty dollars for ded in this act. That in every case where more than one of the pursuits and occupations hereinbefore prescribed shall be carried on in the same place, by the same person, at the same time, excepting as herein-after provided, the tax shall be paid for each acafter provided, the tax shall be puid for each according to the rates severally prescribed.

That it any one taxed under the provisions of this act shall allow any other person to sell under his permit the person so offending shall be need not less than \$100 for each offence.

That no permit shall be required of any person bringing to any part of the District of Columbia wood, lumber, suididing materials, or produce of any kind, to be sold by the car, cargo, or wagon load, or of persons bringing marketing to the District.

That the keeper of avery livery stable wood. FEATURES OF THE PROPOSED TAX BILL

the District.

That the keeper of every livery stable, wood, coal or lumber yard shall, before engaging in such business, obtain the consent in writing of a majority of persons owning real estate and a majority of residents keeping house on the same side of the square on which is the principal front of the stable or yard about to be built or kept.

That nothing contained in this acteful authorize any person to keep his place of business open on Sunday for the sale of any merchandise whatever, except medicines in case of necessity.

or Sunday for the sea in is place of business open or Sunday for the sale of any merchandise whatever, except medicines in case of necessity. That every undertaker selling coffins, caskets or burial cases not of his own manufacture shall be liable as a dealer.

That no person whatsoever shall sell, or expose for sale, at auction, any property, real or personal, within the District of Columbia, without having first ortained a permit as auctioneer. That wherever in this act at ax is imposed semi-annually on sales, receipts or deposits, returns for the same shall be made to the collector, under eath or affirmation, on or before the 19th of January and July of each year, and the same shall be due and payable to the collector on or before the 30th of said months, and on all such taxes remaining unpaid after the 30th of said months a penalty of 5 per contum shall be added, and it shall be the duty of the collector to make demand for the payment of the same.

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That for the purpose of this act the word person shall signify and include firms, corporations and companies. Words of one number shall signify and include words of both numbers, respectively. The word agent shall signify and include every person acting for another. The word merchandise shall signify and include every article of commerce, whether sold in bulk, by sample, catalogue or otherwise. Merchandise broker shall signify and include every person engaged in selling or offering for sale by sample, catalogue or otherwise. rise.
That all laws, acts, ordinances and regulations

now of force in the District of Columbia touching police regulations for the several occupations and places of business in said District, not inconsist-ent with anything herein, are hereby continued in force.

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DISCUSSION OF THE BILL.

Mr. R. T. Merrick stated to the committee that the bill prepared by the District Committee has year had proved impracticable of execution in this District, and the clissens had called a meeting to consider this subject of tayation. They had met from time to time, and had prepared the bill submitted today. They desired to know how much money it was desired to raise to meet the current and other expenses. A large deat had been incurred, not by the desire of the citizens, but by officer; of the United States Government. The Pederal Government should pay their just proportion of the debt. The tax payers of this District do not wish to evade the payment of their proper proportion. They wish to know what their propertion is, and they are prepared to pay it. They had prepared a bill which will raise——east two millions of deliars. Real estate had been the basis in the preparation of this bill. They propose to tax all the real estate 1½ per cent, and license every kind of business and visible property. The bill should be so constructed that they should not encourage the hardening of men's consciences.

Let it be understood what part of the revenues are to be paid by the editions of this District, and they are ready to pay it. All the people ask is the small privilege of selecting the mode of paying this tax.

THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTION. THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTION.

Mr. Buckner. You are aware that the proportion which the District should pay cannot be determined by this committee. This is a matter which will be considered in the House. The committee need information. The District Commissioners have called for a revenue of about \$2,000,000, which does not include the interest on the 365 bonds and liabilities held in the hands of the sinking fund commissioners. the 50 bonds and liabilities held in the hands of the sinking fund commissioners.

Mr. Merrick stated that the tax payers de-sired to be brought into close and pleasant re-lations with the law-making power. They were willing and ready to bear their proportionate ex-penses of these improvements, but they desire an equitable law.

Mr. Hackner inquired if they had any data to show what amount of preperty would be taxable

show what amount of preperty would be taxable noder this bill, and what amount of tax could be raised by it. Also, what amount of revenue was raised by the last tax law on personal property. Mr. Clagett replied in relation to the latter that there was \$21,000 raised, and it cost the District \$32,000 to collect it.

PYEMP PROPERTY. EXEMP PROPERTY.

Mr. Clagett explained that the real estate portion of the bill is the same as last year, with the exception of property exempted from taxes.

Mr. Clagett here claimed that there was not a community in any part of this country who had been so heavily taxed as this community during the past five or six years. He had taken pains to examine into this matter, and had compared our rate of taxation with that of every other city in the country, and had come to the conclusion that this is the most oppressed people in this respect in the country. Per the country.

Mr. Buckner: Perhaps it could be remedied by the formation of some popular local government?
Mr. Clagett. Oh, no; we don't want that; we have tried that and are satisfied. [Laughter.] THE POOR CLERKS.

The question was asked if Government clerks were taxed.

Mr. Clagett. Why, no: a Government clerk has nothing to tax as a general thing. A poor clerk who gets a thousand dollars per year salary don't get any meat to eat oftener than once in two weeks. [Laughter.] WHAT THE BILL WILL PRODUCE.

The bill presented by the citizens will produce 200,000 personal tax, which is one per cent. on 30,000,000. \$30,000,000.

Mr. Riggs explained here that the amount of revenue raised last year was \$325,000 by taxation, and about \$75,000 from licenses.

GEORGETOWN TAXPAYERS HEARD. GEORGETOWN TANTATEMS HEARD.

The chairman, Mr. Buckner, stated that he understood that the citizens of Georgetown were there to state their views as to why the citizens of Georgetown should be taxed less than those of Washington.

Mr. Josiah Dent, on the part of the Georgetown than the contract of the Georgetown to the contract of the Company for a constituted the following reasons for a taxpayers, submitted the following reasons for a discrimination in favor of Georgetown in the coming tax levy:

The official records show the average value of

The official records show the average value of property in Washington and Georgetown, as assessed during the last five years, to be \$72,205,862 for Washington and \$6,147,543 for Georgetown, and that there has been expended in special improvements in Washington by the late Board of Public Works to 1st December, 1874, the sum of \$14,277,722,02, or about one fifth of its assessed value, while there has been expended in improvements in Georgetown the sum of \$725,498.57, or less than one eighth its assessment. In other words, Georgetown, being entitled, on the basis of the valuations stated above, to about \$1,300,000, actually received but \$725,000, or a little more than half of her legitimate share of these improvements.

words, Georgetown, being entitled, on the basis of the valuations stated above, to about al. 300,000, actually received but \$125,000, or a little more than half of her legitimate share of these improvements.

It also appears from official data that while Washington has been assessed for her share of these improvements the sum of \$2,916,836,68, or about one little of their cost, Georgetown has been assessed the sum of \$227,970.92, or nearly one third of their cost.

Washington has the full benefit of all expenditures for public grounds.

Washington, on account of the greater width of her atreets, has the exclusive benefit of the admirable system of parking which is maintained out of the general fund.

The cleaning and repairs of streets, also paid for out of the common fund, are, owing to the greater width of the streets, much more expensive in Washington than in Georgetown.

The aggregate of expenditures for improvements in the two cities, after deducting the sum of \$3,144,877,60 (freetly assessed against the property affected by such improvements, is \$42,877,60 (freetly assessed against the property affected by such improvements, is \$42,877,60 (freetly assessed against the property affected by such improvements, is \$42,877,60 (freetly assessed against the property affected by such improvements, is \$42,877,60 (freetly assessed against the property affected by such improvements, is \$42,877,60 (freetly assessed against the property affected by such improvements, is \$42,877,60 (freetly assessed against the property affected by such improvements, is \$42,877,60 (freetly assessed against the property affected by such improvements, is \$42,877,60 (freetly assessed against the property affected by such improvements, is \$42,877,60 (freetly assessed against the property affected by such improvements, is \$42,877,60 (freetly assessed against the property of which Georgetown, which should be done in the bill now to be prepared.

Mr. W. H. Teeney stated that there should be not only on merchandise, but on furniture, a tax. Th

all. He differed with the rest of the Georgetown delegation only on this point.

Judge Dent called the attention of the District Committee to the fact that while the property in the city of Washington had increased the past two years from \$60.090.000 to \$89.090.000 the property in Georgetown remained about the same. THE COUNTY HEARD FROM.

A. P. Fardon stated that he represented the farming interests of the county. They pay the same rates as properly does in the city. There should be discrimination. They had received but a small part of the improvements made, yet are called upon to pay the same rate of tax. This should not be done.

Mr. A. S. Brown, from the county, explained the different values in different localities in the county, all of which is taxed alike. This is not right. They of the county, in the first place, did not get their share of the \$4,000,000 loan, nor had they got a fair proportion of the improvements in the county, and why should they be taxed to pay this debt? He submitted a memorial of tax payers from the county, which he read, in favor of a discrimination of one half less tax in the county to that paid in the city. THE COUNTY HEARD PROM.

## THE ANALOSTANS.

Annual Meeting of the Boat Club. The Aunicoten boat club held their annual meeting last Feturday night and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: L. E. Stevens, lowing efficers for the ensuing year: L. I. Stevens, president; F. T. Dyer, vice president; J. Hanley Jones, corresponding secretary; C. L. Bardetta, recording secretary; H. S. Myman, treasurer; O. L. Frescott, captain; J. R. Marshall, first lieutenant, and A. B. Bibb, second lieutenant. Committee on membership—R. Coyle, R. Hayner and Thomas Mosher, Jr. Finance committee—T. Lebey and W. N. Roach. A resolution was adopted thanking the retiring officers for their faithful services during the past year, and the secretary was requested to write a letter of thanks to the lady friends of the club who so kindly devised and carried out the very successful leap year entertainment recently given at Willard hall.

One Year in the Penitentiary. Guy H. Thompson and Thos. J. Lizenby, who were convicted some time since of fraudulently obtaining \$695,09 from the District of Columbia, were brought before Judge MacArthur Saturday and sentenced each to pay a fine of \$1,000 and re-main in the pententiary for one year. On motion of W. A. Coek, eag., a stay of execution was granted and a motion for a new trial filed.

## LOCAL MISCELLANY.

Weather probabilities, estimated at 1 a.m.— For the Scuth Atlantic States, slightly warmer and clear or partly cloudy weather, with easterly to routherly winds and stationary or slowly fall-ing barometer. For the lower lake region, Mid-die States and New England, increasing cloudi-ness and rain, except in Virginia, with southerly to westerly winds, rising temperature and failing barometer.

Thermometric readings taken Marc' 5, 1876, at the Signal Office: 7 a. m., 31°; 7:25 a. m., 25°; 12 m., 48°; 2 p. m., 55°; 4:35 p. m., 57°; 9 p. m., 46°; 11 p. m., 45°. Maximum, 58°; minimum, 30°. For court proceedings see third page. Behrend's Patent Catarrh cigar sure cure. Belknap wishes now he had smoked the B-C.

P. H. Heller, pharmacist and chemist, No. 505 Pennsylvania avenue, under National hotel. R. B. Ferguson, pharmacist, corner Second treet and Pennsylvania avenue, Capitol Hill. Don't fail to hear Miss Phoebe Countns' lecture at Lincoln hall Tuesday evening. Subject: "Day-The 'Metropolis Savings Bank pays five per

ent. interest on all deposits made on or befo the 3d of each month. Six per cent. paid on deposits, payable on de-mand. Special rates on time deposits. J. H. Squier & Co., bankers. H. D. Cooke, jr., & Co., F street, near the

Treasury, do a general banking business and buy and s-il District securities &c. The Rev. J. E. Cathell, of Georgetown, has resigned the rectorship of Trinity church, (P. E.,)
Maylandville, Pa., from the 14th of February. Dr. Sturgis will teach invalids how to cure themselves with electricity very low. Office treatment \$1.25, visit out \$2; 736 Tenth street The German American Savings bank, corner of

Seventh and F streets, pays interest on deposits. Safe deposit boxes for rent in fire and burglar-proof vault. Hefore transacting any kind of husiness what. ever, always consult the convenient and com-plete Alphabetical Business Directory in the Daily National Republican. There were forsy-two arrests made by the police of the District last Saturday night. During the same time forty seven ledgers were accommodated in the station bouses. Playing cards, cribbage, dominoes, checkers, backgammon, berique, dice, and all kinds of

games, at Brad Adams' book and stationery store, 812 F street, opposite the Patent Office. THE STYLES .- Ladies wearing the latest "Pinback" and striped-slik stockings are very liable to contract stubborn coughs or colds, and should not neglect to procure Dr. Bull's Cough Syrap in About 1 o'clock yesterday morning a coal oil lamp exploded in the house of William Nelson, colored, in Pleasant alley. The fiames were extinguished by Officer O'Nell before any damage was done,

Marriage licinsis were granted Saturday to the following parties: George Powell and Sarah Lucas, Lewis Jackson and Mary Scholars, John H. Beachham and Nary E. Dixon, Walter M. Moreland and Ella J. Swing. At the meeting of the free-thinkers, at Ma rini's hall, yesterday morning, it was resolved to send a bouquet of flowers to be placed on the grave of Weikert, the German free-thinker and patriot, who died recently at Leipsic.

Mr. Howard Linley Smith writes a card for the NATIONAL REPUBLICAN, in which he states that be always has been, is now and ever will be an opponent of the Bemoeratic party and a staunch supporter of the Republican party. The regular Monday evening service, under the auspices of the Presbytery of Washington city, will be held this evening, at 7:30 o'clock, in the Central Presbyterian church, (Rev. A. W. Piffser, pastor,) corner of Third and I streets northwest.

About 5 o'clock Saturday evening as Mr. Ben About so clock Saturday evening as mr. Hen-jamin Nute, a clerk in the Third Auditor's office, was running across Eleventh street, near the wharf, he fell and dislocated his shoulder. Officer Henner obtained a wagon and had him removed to his home on B street southeast, The fraters of Gethsemane Commandery, No Knights Templar, will give a grand leves to night at Willard's hall. The arrangements for the affair are in the hands fof able committees, and all who attend will be amply repaid, as this entertainment will be one of much enjoyment. The horses attached to back No. 87, driver by Matthew Murphy, varied the dull monoton; of their lives Saturday evening by running away.
One of the incidents of their flight was the breaking of the lamp in front of Clark's restaurant, corner of C and Sixth streets, under the Metropolitan hotel.

About 11:30 o'clock yesterday morning a white women named Margaret Robinson fell in a fit while passing along Seventeenth street, near the new State Department building. When she returned to consciousness she was assisted to a more comfortable place by Officer Mitchell. She is a resident of Potomac City. About 11 o'clock last Saturday morning as Mrs.

General R. D. Mussey and another lady were out driving they collided, at the corner of Sixth and F streets, with car 48 of the F-street line, breakng the shafts of the carriage and throwing Mi dussey to the ground, but fortunately her uries were slight. The car was not damaged. Mr. W. Hazel, of Georgetown, last week purchased of A. F. Fawort', 'of Baltimore, his cele brated black trotting stallion, Bashaw, jr., for \$5,500. On the same day Mr. David Logan bought of the same gentleman, for \$5,500, his well-known trotting horse, Albert, that travels far down in the twenties, and was a winner at the fall meet-ing of the Washington Driving Association. Officers McNamara and Reese, of the Secon

precinct, last Saturday arrested an insane man named; Martin Showers, on G street, between Fourth and Flith streets northwest, who was acting very violently, having knocked one lady down and chased several others, creating quite an excitement. He was locked up in the Sevent pre-cinct station. About twelve o'clock Saturday night, during

About twelve o'clock Saturday night, during an affray in Shea's grocery store, on Maryland avenue, between Third and Four-and-a-halt streets, a colored woman, named Mary Gibson, alias Betty Tolson, made an attack on Elien Ross with a case-knife, ground sharp on both edges. Ellen received severe cuts on both arms, and came near bleeding to death. Drs. Hagen and Poulton rendered surgical aid. Mary Gibson was arrested by Officer Gates.

Connecticut Republicans. A meeting of Connecticut voters resident in this city was held in the room of the Maine Republi can Campaign Club on Friday evening, abou twenty-five gentlemen being present.

Mr. Chas. Spencer, of the Treasury Depart.

ment, was called to the chair, and Mr. Charle Lyman, of the same Department, acted as secre On motion of Mr. Brainard, of the Post Office Department, it was

Hesolved, That a committee of one from each Bisolved. That a committee of one from each Department be appointed to ascertain: First, how many Connecticat men are employed in the Departments; second, how many of them have a vote in the State; third, how many are not registered, but can be by making the proper effort; fourth, how many, and who, for any reason, cannot or do not intend to go home to vote; that said committee be requested to arge upon those who are not registered, and who can be, the importance of at once taking the necessary steps to accomplish it, and to suggest to those who do not go home to vote the propriety of contributing to defraying the expenses of such of those who do as cannot afford to pay their own; that raid comdefraying the expenses of such of those who do as cannot afford to pay their own; that just dominities be also instructed to make the best arrangements possible for reduced transportation. The following gentlemen were appointed on this committee: Geo. N. Lamphere, Treasury Department; H. M. W. Brainard, Post Office Department; Colonel H. Duryce, War Department; E. H. Ripley, Pension Office; D. A. Denison, Navy Department; J. H. Roberts, Government printing office.

After remarks by Mr. Cornell, chief clerk of the Post Office Department, and others, the meeting adjourned.

A Laudable Object. On Saturday evening, February 28, several ladies and gentlemen of East Washington formed themselves into an association termed the East washington Relief, and elected the following officers: President, John U. Axe; vice president, Miss Marion Pyles; secretary, Howard E. Emmons; treasurer, John T. L. Pyles. The object of the association is to give series of entertainments for the benefit of the poor in that vicinity, Persons knowing of any in need, by informing any member of the association they will be visited and relieved. Donations are respectfully solucited.

The Philosophical Club. The debate upon co-operation was continued resterday, at St. Joseph's hall, corner of H and Fifth streets northwest, by Judge Case, Prof. Brainard, Dr. Snodgrass and others. Mr. Lan itton, late president of Howard University, being present, was called up by the president of the riub, and entertained the audience with an able caue, and entertained the audience with an able speech commendatory of the club and its pur-poses. Next Sunday Prof. Peck will lecture upon the nature and deleterious influence of re-vivals of religion. Several unoccupied clergy-men are to be invited to take part in the discus-sion which will follow the lecture.

Labor League Sisterhood. A preliminary meeting of white ladies was held ast evening at the residence of Mrs. Jarvis, on H treet northwest. Owing to the absence of Mr. street northwest. Owing to the absence of Mr. Hodnett, most of the ladies had gone home before Captain Butler arrived. Twelve ladies remained and joined the sisterhood, and adjourned over until next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Arrangements will be made to have a distinguished femals leader of the organisation in New York come here in a few weeks and give readings for the benefit of the order. When the women are moving the men must stand united. This is the order in which things are now moving.

Auction Bales To-day. By Duncanson Bros.: At 10 o'clock, the entire stock of a dealer in dry goods.

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The Medal: of the National Association Almost Ready. mest Ready.

The local association of "Veterans of 1846" met on Saturday evening, at 1115 Pennsylvania avenue, Gen. J. W. Denver presiding.

John B. Liewellyn, a private in Captain W. H. Digges' company, Marylani and District of Coumbia volunteers, was admitted to membership

After transacting routine business, the secre tary read the bill (H. R. 2283) reported to the tary read the bill (H. R. 2283) reported to the House of Representatives on the 24th ultimo by Hon. Goldsmith W. Hewitt, from the Committee of Invalid Pensions, together with the argumentative report of the committee (Rep. No. 117) reciting the reasons for, recommending its passage. The cogent reasons for, recommending its passage. The cogent reasons for the honorable committee was listened to with marked attention by the veterans present, who were evidently satisfied that their cause was in the keeping of friends who would see that just recognition of their claims on the country would be accorded to them. The proceedings of the Ohlo State convention, held at Columbus, on the 22d ultimo, were also read. The resolutions presented therein by Hon. George W. Morgan, requesting the present Congress to extend to the soldiers of 1842 and the heroes of '76 were warmly appianded.

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The letter of Gen. A. V. Rice, M. C., addressed
to the president of the Ohio convention, in which
that gentleman gave assurances, since proven,
that the Pension Committee, of which he is a
member, were almost a unit in favor of passing
the bill, was also heard with evident satisfaction.
The convention was attended by many distinguished citizens of Ohio, including Gen. G. W.,
Morgan, Dr. Oliver M. Langdon, of Cincinnati;
Gen. W. J. Wilson, Hoo. J. C. Groom, Col. A. H.,
Brown, and others, who manifested the liveliest
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Brown, and others, who manifested the liveliest sympathy with the cause of their old companions in arms.

A vote of thanks to the retiring president of the State association, Capt. A. J. Robinson, was passed; and also to the secretary of the National Association at Washington, Mr. A. M. Kenaday, for his efforts in promoting the pension movement and in procuring a medal badge for the veterans.

The proceedinks of the State convention held at Jackson, Miss., on the 2d ultimo, were also read. The meeting at Jackson was presided over by Col. J. B. Desson, of Brookhaven, with Col. A. Peyton, secretary.

Other interesting matter was laid before the meeting, notice of which will have to be deferred. Before the meeting adjourned, inquiry was made in regard to the medals of the national association. The secretary stated that the mint authorities at Philadelphia had transmitted the first installment of 500 copies, which are new in the hands of the ongravers, but that through some misunderstanding the medals were not accompanied by the cross-bar containing the name of the national association, as designed. Orders have been sent by Director Linderman to strike the additional piece of metal immediately, and it is thought the delay in consequence of this mistake will not seriously interfere with the speedy fulfillment of the order for 2.500 copies, which are being rapidly subscribed for by members in all sections of the country.

The secretary wore one of the new badges during the meeting, which was examined by the members, who generally were much pleased with the design, which has been patented for the association by its inventor. Major Alex. J. Dallas, U. S. A., to prevent the issue of bogus imitations.

A Frutal Proceeding. Yesterday afternoon two colored roughs, named Dennis and Tom Mahoney, went to the sharty of an old colored man, name! James Henry Collins, on the Virginia shore, opposite the city, and denanded the privilege of playing cards in his house The old man refused, and the two roughs set upor him, beating him terribly and inflicting severa nim, beating nim terribly and isnicting several severe cuts with a razor upon his head. After the two Mahoneys left, Collins, by a great effort, crossed the Long bridge, and reached Dr. Leach's office, on Seventh street, in a state of exhaustion, with the blood streaming from his wounds. The physician dressed his injuries, and the old man, who is in a very critical condition, was turned over to the police for care and safe keeping.

Book Sale This Evening. commencing this (Monday) evening, at 7:30 o'clock. Thomas Dowling, auctioneer, will sell at his rooms, corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Eleventh street, a large and valuable collection of standard, scientific and miscellaneous books Catalogues ready this morning.

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